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Letter from Janet E. Davison, Wellesley,  
Massachusetts, to Mrs. R. J. Davison, Bath, New  
York, 1915 May 28

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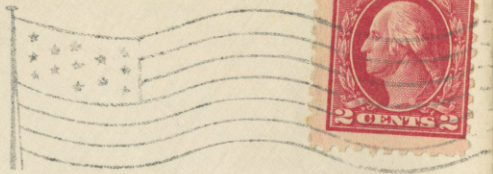
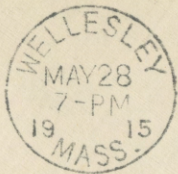
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Mrs. R. J. Davison  
6 E. Washington Ave.  
Bath

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10.00

15.00

20.00

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Fri. a.m.

Mother dear, —

I have just gotten down to hard tacks & found out how much money I'll have to have. I'm enclosing a detailed budget, so you & Dad can see I'm not filled with vain imaginings. I am filled with consternation. At present I'm stripped, so I guess I'd better not have a garden Party dress — I can wear that flouncing, and if I get awfully anxious for a new one, I'll wait till June 1, so the bill won't come till July. I hear I can make the dress all right.



I Think an organdie will be pretty with perhaps a yellow taffeta waist dings. I could send you The taffeta so The stitching would be right & do the rest here as well as not. However, don't worry, I won't send much to be done, except that a small washing will come next week some time.

The Cosgroves are expecting us to stay over Sunday, but I've put my foot on that - Told Helen this A.M. we'd have to leave by Fri. P.M. Is that right? I'm perfectly ready to go home today if there were a chance. But there aint!



Well, now, about The money. I've got enough To go home on, salted down, but That's all. The other \$25 that I'd managed To save before Easter I've had To spend in one way and another. You haven't said how much you were planning To bring, but I gave you an idea about The amt your room and board would come to - you'd better plan on \$10 for room, & \$15 for board just while we're in Wellesley - not counting The time on The train or in N.Y. Of course we don't have To stop in N.Y. but it would be fine. (Please let me know about that). Then I think you should have at least \$30 outside of carfare & keep. Don't you? Then if I can have \$40 or \$45 I'm sure we'll come out well. I'm sorry it's so much - it seems horrible, but I'm not expecting To graduate but once. Also, let me add, that I've got To have at least \$25 at once, or I can't get my things at all. Oh, I have also had To have my watch fixed & am having To have treatments for a very uncomfortable wart on my



Toe - an ingrowing one, caused by so much walking. These are 2 expenses I hadn't counted on.

About Those invitations I sent out yesterday - you send acceptances to me, for I have the tickets. Also - do you want Austin to go to the Commencement proper. It lasts from 11 till after one & you have to get in line soon after 8. He can see the Academic procession from outside & the address will probably be very dry. Ask him about it - I think

he'd only get very tired & fidgety, but if he wants to, he can go. I have just 2 tickets. In case Austin doesn't go, & I honestly think it would be better for him not to, whom would you like to have go in his place? Mrs. Chadderdon goes as Faculty. Helen isn't going to try to have either Fran or Kath go, so she won't need another ticket. Of course there's Dot Westfall & Ruth Calkins, but I don't particularly care about asking them. Let me know about this also. Miss Belle Preston will get in as a re-uring alum.



When does The Rev. Walt. get tied?  
I haven't had time to write to Miss  
Toblett yet, although I have a lot  
of things to tell her - about W.S. &  
College, etc.

Am enclosing The Y. Z. E. pro-  
gram I forgot last time, go to my  
last class in less than an hour.  
I have invited Mrs. Baker down to  
Garden Party & Sr. Play. That seemed nec-  
essary after her clothes, etc.

Here is my list - can you emend  
it in any way?

Sen. Play - Fri - June 11 - Mr. & Mrs. Bennett<sup>(?)</sup>  
(haven't asked them, but that I ought to)

" " - Sat - June 12 - You, Austin, Mrs. Chadders<sup>(?)</sup>,  
Mrs. Baker<sup>(?)</sup>, Roy.

Garden Party - June 12 - you, Austin, Leon & his  
room-mate (they invited themselves),  
& Ruth Calkins. (If you think better  
I can ask The Bennetts for this  
instead.) I see I'm helping Helen  
ask her swarm. "Aunt Margaret"  
is the only queer "rel" who's coming,  
which is not so worse.

SS. Vespers - June 13, Austin, Mrs. Chad., (I have one  
other person - who shall it be?)

Pres. Reception - June 14 - you & Austin.

Commencement - June 15 - you & ?

Float - June 8 - Mrs. Chad., Roy, Mr. & Mrs. Masters<sup>(?)</sup>.

What do you say to it? I don't  
think of anyone else I ought to



ask - do you ?<sup>3.</sup>

As before, I'll meet you at The car at Quad, then we'll have breakfast at S.S. & go to town for The day. Fri. also we'll spend The day in Boston and you can rest that night. Please let me know if you want to go to Br. play both nights.

Guess That's all. Will go & mail this.

Let me know about the cash part - whether it's all right, for perhaps I could figure a little more closely.

Love to all,

Janet.

(over)

8.00 - tickets  
 5.00 - diploma  
 3.50 - Sr. supper (in Boston)  
 1.00 - float  
 1.00 - Z. A. Masque  
 2.00 - Garden Party Supper.  
 1.00 - Vespers & Supper at S.S.  
 1.75 - Alumnae Breakfast  
 1.00 - " Luncheon

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23.25

2.50 - Legenda

25.75 - This is outside of  
 any little side-trips, you  
 see and outside Mother  
 and Austin's living expenses.  
 I'm awfully sorry!

(over)